

Introduction to Canine Rehabilitation

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Prerequisites: This 5-day course is open to veterinarians, physical therapists, and veterinary technicians. Veterinary technicians must submit an Employer Agreement Letter (available on our website) indicating that there is a veterinarian or physical therapist either certified in canine rehabilitation working in their practice **or** registered for Introduction to Canine Rehabilitation.

Classes will be held from 8:00 am-5:00 pm in Colorado and from 9:00 am-6:00 pm in Florida. There will be a 1-hour break from lunch each day. At the end of DAY 5, students will be given a take-home, open-book final exam that they will have 30 days to complete. Collaboration with fellow classmates is encouraged.

DAY 1

Introductions Lecture: The History of Canine Rehabilitation and Legal Issues Lecture: Skeletal Anatomy Lab: Palpation: Skeletal Landmarks	1.25 hours 1.25 hours .5 hour 1.0 hour
Lunch	1.0 hour
Lecture: Anatomy - Muscles of the Neck and Thoracic Limb Lab: Anatomy Lecture: Introduction to Physical Therapy Terminology Lab: Palpation: Muscles of the Neck & Thoracic Limb; Goniometer/Gulick	.75 hours 1.0 hour 1.25 hours 1.0 hour

DAY 2

Review Lecture: Anatomy – Muscles of the Trunk and Pelvis Lab: Anatomy	.5 hour .5 hour 1.5 hours
Lab: Palpation: Mm of Trunk, Thoracic Limb & Pelvis; Flexibility/Goniometry	1.5 hours
Lunch	1.0 hour
Lecture: Physical Therapy Terminology Lab: Palpation of Shoulder Muscles; Goniometry/PROM Lecture/Lab: Modalities	1.0 hour 1.5 hours 1.5 hours
DAY 3	
Review Lecture/Lab: Modalities Lecture: Anatomy – Muscles of the Pelvic Limb	0.5 hour 3.0 hours 0.5 hour
Lunch	1.0 hour
Lab: Anatomy Lab: Palpation: Muscles of the Pelvic Limb; Goniometry/Flexibility Discussion	1.5 hours 1.0 hour 1.5 hours
DAY 4	
Review Lecture: The Complete Musculoskeletal Exam – Pelvic Limb Lab: The Complete Musculoskeletal Exam—Pelvic Limb	0.5 hour 1.5 hours 2.0 hour
Lunch	1.0 hour
Lecture: The Complete Musculoskeletal Exam – Thoracic Limb Lab: The Complete Musculoskeletal Exam—Thoracic Limb Lecture: Neurology and Gait Lab: Neurology and Gait	1.25 hour 1.0 hour 1.0 hour 0.75 hour

DAY 5

Lecture: Physical Modalities

Review Lecture: Canine Soft Tissue Manual Therapy Lab: Canine Soft Tissue Manual Therapy Lecture/Lab: Introduction to Therapeutic Exercise	0.25 hour 1.5 hours 1.25 hours 1.0 hour
Lunch	1.0 hour
Lecture/Lab: Introduction to Therapeutic Exercise	2.0 hours

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